

Whickham Thorns Dry Ski Slope

Risk Assessment & Planned programme

Programme

- The group[s] will leave QEHS as specified on the Parent letter and travel as indicated below.
- The students will be involved in learning to use the equipment. They will have experience of using boots, bindings and ski's.
- They will experience side stepping, straight running and basic turn shapes including a plough turn.
- They may also experience a rope tow but this will be determined by the progress made.

Staffing / General supervision

- One adult will accompany a maximum of 12 students
- Activity sessions will be lead by Steve Mullins PSIA Alpine Instructor, SNSC ASSI, SNSC ASL & First Aid Qualified
- The teacher has significant ad relevant experience of working with students
- Students will be provided with a structured and challenging experience
- Hopefully, the students will gain a rudimentary grasp of the aspects involved in skiing. Individuals may be requested to complete a second visit.

Transport

- This will be by minibus
- The driver has an up to date Midas qualification
- The minibus is fully maintained
- There will be a head count following stops
- Students will be requested to wear seat belts

Dry Slope / Equipment

- Students will be provided with appropriate but challenging tasks
- The slope has a current Health & Safety certificate and is well maintained
- Skis are fully maintained and will be fitted by a qualified technician
- There are staff on duty at the slope during usage

Medical requirements / Physical Preparation

- Parents have supplied up to date medical requirements
- Students are encouraged to complete a series of preparatory exercises. Visit www.ifyouiski.com for advice.
- In the event of an accident a mobile telephone is available to contact the emergency services